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H.RES. 1113 – CELEBRATING THE ROLE OF MOTHERS IN THE UNITED STATES AND SUPPORTING THE GOALS AND IDEALS OF MOTHER'S DAY

FLOOR SITUATION

H.Res. 1113 is being considered on the floor under suspension of the rules and will require a two-thirds majority vote for passage. This legislation was introduced by Representative Jeff Fortenberry (R-NE) on April 16, 2008. The House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform agreed to the resolution by voice vote on May 1, 2008.

H.Res. 1113 is expected to be considered on the floor of the House on May 5, 2008.

SUMMARY

H.Res. 1113 resolves that the House of Representatives celebrates the role of mothers in the United States and supports the goals and ideals of Mother's Day.

BACKGROUND

Mother's Day is celebrated annually on the second Sunday of May. Mother's Day was first officially celebrated in Grafton, West Virginia, and in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, on May 10, 1908. Congress passed a resolution designating the second Sunday of every May to be designated officially as Mother's Day. The U.S. Census Bureau estimates that as of 2004 there were 82.8 million mothers in the U.S.

This year, Mother's Day falls on May 11, 2008, and marks the 100th Anniversary of the observance of Mother's Day in the U.S.

Link to U.S. Census Bureau Statistics on mothers in the U.S.

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